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METHODS OF MODULATING CELL MIGRATION USING GALECTIN-3

Mail Stop Amendment **Assistant Commissioner of Patents** PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sirs:

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

In response to the Office Action mailed September 8, 2004, in connection with the aboveidentified application, the time for responding having been extended to January 8, 2005, by the accompanying fee and petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136, Applicants respectfully request consideration of the following amendments and remarks:

The Claims begin at page 2.

The Remarks begin at page 6.

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8 and/or 1.10*

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Date: January 7, 2005

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